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CANADIAN NEWS.

Three More Prizes Won in the Regatta.

PRIME MERIDIAN CONFERENCE.

Effect of Lying Advertisements—Public Testimonial to Mowat—Intercolonial Railway—Notarial Arrest.

FIRES AND FLOODS.

A conference of the heads of the different universities and colleges in Ontario was held in the office of the Minister of Education, at the Education Department recently. The gentlemen present discussed the general questions of the federation of the Colleges and Universities in Ontario. The meeting was harmonious, though no definate conclusion was arrived at, but it was considered that the progress made would justify another meeting, which will likely be held in September next. The whole tenor of the discussion yesterday was as to whether the scheme of federation was feasible.

Additional miraculous cures of Ottawa district people are reported from the shrine of St. Anne de Beaupre. John Gallagher, of Marlborough, County of Carleton, who came down on two crutches, was partially cured and left one of his crutches behind him. A young lady named Fournier, from Cornwall, 13 years of age, who used two crutches, was also partially cured, and came away with one. Another case was that of a young man named Richard, from Mansfield, who used one crutch, left it behind him in the church and walked to the boat without any assistance.

The Northwestern regatta at St. Clair, Mich., seems to have afforded several easy victories to the Canadian crews. On the first day the Chatham four, Ball, Pennefather, Van Allen, and Wells, defeated the Wahwahtasee of Ecorse, Mich., and the Minnetonka of St. Paul. J. J. Donohoe won the senior singles easily, his only competitor being Plass, of Detroit. The Toronto crew, Tunright and O'Connor, won the double scull race in 13:50. The distance was a mile up stream and return.

At Quebec arrangements [illegible] reception of the British artillery team have been completed. The team will arrive about September 8th; competition will commence on the 9th and in the following week they will go to Toronto to compete with the field batteries. The Montreal Garrison artillery will send four ordnance teams and at least six gun detachments to Quebec to compete.

Heavy wooden bars have been nailed across the doors of the temporary parliament buildings at Quebec, at the order, it is said, of Mr. Charlebois, consequently a cabinet maker was summoned to give evidence before the royal commission as to the value of the furniture in the building, and was unable to gain admittance.

Travel down the river on Kingston and Gananoque on the Canadian side, and via Cape Vincent on the American side, is now immense. The hotels at the summer resorts are crowded and the camp ground appears to be more popular than ever.

A man named Page, who resides in Sorel, while on a Quebec steamboat, was badly beaten by three of the steamer's firemen. He is now lying dangerously ill, having been unconscious since he received the beating.

A royal commission consisting of Messrs. Ardagh and E. P. Lenoock, M. P. P., has been appointed to investigate the financial condition of Emerson, Manitoba.

The C. P. R. intend to have a number of views taken of the chief of the charming sights on the Mississippi, with the object of adorning their railway maps.

It is stated that a French boat has sailed from Marseilles, one of the cholera infected cities, for Escoumains, in outport of the port of Quebec.

A committee of the Toronto city corporation will visit Buffalo and inspect the city hall and court house there.

It is stated that Lieutenant-Governor Robitaille's term of office has been prolonged three months.

Immigrants are still coming into Winnipeg. Sixty Icelanders, destined for Dakota, remain there.

The annual Grand Trunk crop report predicts a more than average yield of crops of all kinds.

The railway shops at Carleton Place are in full blast just now, working over time.

Galt made a bonfire on receipt of the news of Mr. Mowat's success in the Boundary case.

The judicial recount in the Megantic election gives Mr. Langelier a majority of 49.

Petitions are in circulation for the submission of the Scott Act in Winnipeg.

Toronto Council sent $2,000 to the sufferers by the late fire at Port Perry.

A Toronto capitalist is about to start a flax factory in Kingston.

A large seal was seen in the river opposite Quebec City lately.

LIFE IN YUCATAN.

The Natives One of the Superior Races of the Latitude.

The Village of Progreso—Bugs as Poodle Dogs—A Night in Merida—Transportation by Night.

(Yucatan Cor. Pioneer Press.)

We are certain of what before we knew only by hearsay, that the natives of Yucatan are one of the superior races of this latitude—the equal of the Spanish Creole and more than the equal of the average Cuban and Mexican. The Mexican is rather sluggish; the Yucatan is active, alert, industrious, quick as a cat. The Mexican is satisfied with his lot; the Yucatan is hopeful and ambitious. The Mexican, it must be admitted, is filthy in his personal habits; the Yucatan is as neat and clean as the Hollander. The Mexican is docile, submissive, obsequious; the Yucatan is haughty and warlike. The Mexican is poor, and so dishonest that nothing that can be lifted is ever exposed; the Yucatan is thrifty and prosperous, and his honesty is a proverb.

Progreso—named, of course, for progress—is a village of half a dozen narrow streets along a sandy beach; low houses of wood or a "dobe" of shell or pebble stones—the best ones painted in gaudy colors of red, yellow, pink and blue, the huts of the poor squatting under a ponderous thatch of palm leaves. Here or there rises a mango tree or a banana or cocoa palm; everywhere shine wild blossoms of three or four varieties including the single tuberose, and over all, as throughout Mexico, the pulpy cactus holds in rest its innumerable species. Along the sandy beach we found a great variety of seashells and marine products, but none of them very complicated or rare—myriads of the debris of sponges and broken coral washed up on the site of this great coral reef of Yucatan. In the market place, an open space under a large flat roof, were offered for sale simple products of the peninsula—fruit, prepared food, ropes and matting, head work, embroidery, and especially the chameleon. This latter is not, suppose, a chameleon at all, except in the fact that he "lived on air"—that is, without food.

It is a yellowish-gray beetle, about two inches long, with black spots on his back. Each well-bred lady of Yucatan has at least one of them for a pet. With a small six-inch gold chain fastened to his waist and pinned to his mistress' waist, he wanders about her shoulders for months, till, feeble with old age, his soul forsakes its earthly tenement. This well-mannered but rather sluggish bug is the poodle dog of the tropics, and in some cases he seems to become fond of his owner. I saw one this morning on board ship wearing a golden harness, pinned on one end of a pillow where a Creole was sleeping. He had dragged his shining tether to its fullest length in the direction of her dainty nose, and there he stood, silent, immovable and passive, watching that precious portion of her anatomy with affectionate interest. The land [illegible] is the Dr. Tanner of Insectania. [illegible] wonderous endurance; his digestive [illegible] works so feebly that he can live six months or a year without a mouthful of food. He is literally a light eater, for the owner of one confessed to me that she gave him for a monthly lunch "a bit of cork." But he looked fat and was probably a glutton.

The cars run up to Merida twice a day; fare, first-class, $1. The houses here, as in Progreso, are square, flat-roofed, and wholly without chimneys. The larger ones are built around a court, have elaborately carved facades, and are of two stories height, each story being fifteen to twenty feet between joints. The streets are unpaved, but neat and well cared for. There are fifteen plazas, or public squares, in this city, and each one has a church facing it; but since the confiscation of church property twenty years ago, the former grandeur of religious ceremonials has disappeared. An American can now decline to remove his hat when the priest goes by, without being subjected to insult. The largest plaza is paved with tiles and radiant with blossoming flowers, and the evening is made lustrous by a galaxy of six electric lights hauled to the top of a spar as in Madison square, New York. But at 10 o'clock this conspicuous glim is extinguished, and the Meridans go to bed. Not to bed, exactly, but to hammock.

Every individual at Merida, except strangers at the hotel, sleeps in a hammock the year round. Even the wealthy people, the magnates, the leaders of society circles, as well as natives, not only sleep in a hammock, but they are born and die in it. All the floors in Merida are of cement, and the courts are tiled, leaving no woodwork except in doors and windows. The vault-like buildings are rather depressing to a stranger, and the effect is enhanced by the fact that there is no glass in the windows, but in its place a close grating of iron bars, full of prison suggestions. Behind the bars were interesting family groups, including many with black hair and big, splendid eyes—the most attractive girls in all Mexico, I should say. The hotel proved a queer place. Roomy it was, but the partitions between the rooms extended only about two-thirds of the way up to the ceiling. This arrangement prevents lonelness, and enables every guest to hear every other guest snore. All conversation is in common, and there is a sociability about the sleeping together which is delightful.

Most of the transportation here is done between sunset and sunrise, for the sake of comfort; so there is a clatter of hoofs coming through the barred windows till morning, and the stranger guest sees in his broken dreams an endless procession of donkeys (burros) going and coming along the country roads all night. This creature, by the way, can draw or carry a tremendous load, and (skip this) is the only burro-drawer that never sticks. The street car of Merida is of Philadelphia make, and is drawn very fast by an equine insect that goes on a run in a far-flying harness of strings. The driver slashes his donkey with a stick, holds the reins, smokes a cigarette, and blows a fish horn all at the same time—indeed, I think he collects the fare, too. And when they hear that trumpet, pedestrians fall to the right and left, and the chariot dashes through. Musicians, more or less gifted, make the night more or less melodious. One jingles a triangle, and another tickles the belly of a disconsolate guitar. Some balconies give forth the sounds of song, and ladies in full dress appear behind the iron grating of the windows, seeming like penitential damsels in the penitentiary. When the party of Americans rose and looked forth at 5 o'clock in the morning, the unwinking jackass was still moving pathetically past, the native, with his broad zarape thrown over his shoulder was passing nimbly across the place, and the soldier of Yucatan, who gets for wages just 6 cents a day, and boards himself out of it, was yawning in one of the arcades. I have spoken of the windows being barred. This originated, not in fashion, but fear. The intractable Mayas, who live under laws of their own, have kept the peninsula in a chronic condition of warfare, and the Meridans have kept themselves in a state of semi-siege.

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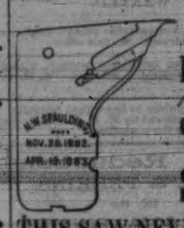

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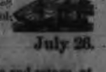

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FOR NANAIMO.—The Amelia sails every Monday morning at 10 o'clock and, every Friday Morning at 7 o'clock.

FOR BURRARD INLET AND PORT MOODY—The Robert Dunsmuir leaves on Tuesday at 5 a. m. and on Monday of following week for Burrard Inlet and Comox

FOR NEW WESTMINSTER AND PORT HAMMOND—The Yosemite leaves Monday, Wednesday, Friday at 7 a. m.

FOR NEW WESTMINSTER AND PORT HAMMOND—The Amelia sails every Wednesday at 7 a. m.

Steamer Wilmington leaves San Francisco for Victoria with passengers and freight Wednesday, July 30th.

FOR QUEEN CHARLOTTE ISLANDS.—Steamer Princess Louise will sail Saturday, August 2nd

FOR ALASKA.—Steamer ANCON will sail Friday, August 1st.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO—Steamer Queen of the Pacific will sail on Monday, August 4th, at noon.

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THE TIMES PUBLISHING COMPANY,
Government Street, Near Johnson,
THOMAS GARDINER, MANAGER.

Amusements To-Night.

AT PHILHARMONIC HALL—Rose Louise King and associates, of the Tivoli Comic Opera Company, in the "Grand Duchess."

DARK SPOTS ON VICTORIA'S BEAUTIES.

Strangers and tourists on visiting Victoria express surprise at the exclusiveness of many of our citizens in respect of the grounds surrounding their residences being barricaded by high board fences, preventing, as it were, the eyes of the outer world from beholding either that which is rendered beautiful by art or the reverse. We are aware that there are some notable exceptions in this respect, such for instance as the grounds of Mr. R. P. Rithet, Mr. Hayward, on Fort street, and several others. Such as are unable to have lawns and ornamental grounds of their own cannot but enjoy even a passing glance at the beautiful grounds surrounding the residences of these gentlemen. The effect is an emulating one, and a desire is at once created to excell even these gentlemen in their efforts to render Victoria, by art, even more beautiful than Nature left her. Victoria enjoys many appellations, and there is no reason why she should not have another added to the many now found on her escutcheon, and that is to be known as the "Flower City" of the coast. Inside the unsightly fences which now surround many plots, are to be found almost enchanting grounds. The removal of the close board fences and the substitution of low or open ones would not only let passers-by have a glimpse at beautiful nature, but would likewise add immensely to the appearance and value of the property. Such of our readers as have visited American and Eastern Canadian cities could not fail to be impressed with the beauty of these cities. In many of these there are entire streets extending for miles without a fence on the street frontage of palatial residences. Their lands are kept with scrupulous care. The pavement watered frequently during the day. Added to this is the advantage of having large shade trees either maple, horse chestnut, elm or sycamore, completely sheltering the pedestrian from the rays of a scorching sun. These are some of the reasons why American cities claim superiority over all others. Neither dogs, fowl, or cattle or any other animals are allowed to run at large in cities that are well regulated. Hence it is that perfect order and cleanliness prevails. Nowhere has nature been so prodigal in lavishing her favors as she has been to Victoria and her surroundings. The excellent roads which radiate in every direction from the city have a world wide notoriety. This fame should be still added to. We are but on the threshold of our future greatness. The increase to our population is increasing yearly at a satisfactory ratio, and when once linked to our eastern brethren by the completion of our own transcontinental railway, we naturally expect to be greatly benefitted by the great change that will then be wrought in our affairs, politically, commercially and otherwise. Let the people of Victoria then waken up to the full responsibility of their position and the vantage ground they already occupy. Sweep away such unsightly fences as disgrace many of our leading thoroughfares. Erect in their places modern ones, and the transformation will be wonderful. Such animals as we have already referred to should be prohibited to run at large. Then people would feel safe in adopting our suggestions. In the matter of architecture we have but little to say, as it is a self-evident fact that on that score we are far behind this progressive age. The new edifices, it is to be hoped, will be an improvement on previous erections.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

It is stated that Lieutenant-Governor Robitaille's term of office has been prolonged three months. Who is to be the successful aspirant for the gubernatorial chair of the Province of Quebec is not yet known. The matter is being "seriously" considered.

No one ever expected that house rents in Winnipeg would maintain the absurd state of inflation to which they attained during the great boom. The tumble has been quite as remarkable as the kite-like soar they made. According to the Winnipeg Sun houses that during that era of ecstacy rented for from $50 to $60 a month can now be had for less than half that sum, while those for which $40 a month was asked can now hardly be let for $15.

Early in the present month Mr. Gladstone's career as Prime Minister of England has covered nine years and 147 days, which was one day more than Lord Palmerston's career covered. Two statesmen only during the last hundred years have governed the English people for a longer period than this. One of these was William Pitt, who held this office for eighteen years and ten months; the other was Lord Liverpool, whose period was fourteen years and ten months.

TELEGRAPHIC.

An Interesting Cholera Review From Marseilles.

SHOT HIMSELF WHILE DROWNING.

Died Aboard Ship—The Egyptian Conference a Failure—English Cabinet Meeting.

CHINESE INDEMNITY FUND.

GENERAL GORDON'S LETTER.

CAIRO, Aug. 2.—Colonel Kitchener will arrive at Dongola on Monday. He has been ordered to telegraph as to whether the reported letter from Gordon to the Dunir is authentic.

A WATERY GRAVE.

LONDON, Aug. 2.—It is reported from Cardiff that a man died from cholera on the French steamer Graville, from Marseilles, and at anchor in Penarth Roads. The body was thrown overboard. Another man aboard ship is very ill.

SUICIDED BECAUSE OF A COLLISION.

MADRID, Aug. 2—Captain Newton, a passenger on the steamer Laxham, which sunk after the collision with the steamer Gijou, escaped with fifteen Spaniards, and landed at Muros. He reports that immediately after the collision the Captain of the Gijou shot himself. The Spaniards, he says, behaved very badly. No news as yet of the Captain of the Laxham.

INTERESTING CHOLERA REVIEW.

MARSEILLES, Aug. 2.—Since the great plague nearly a score of years ago, this city has been almost rebuilt. Her pavements, her sewerage system, her water supply and method of cleaning streets, removing night soil, inspecting and regulating markets, her quarantine regulations and hospital facilities, are all probably unsurpassed in excellence by those of any European or American city. Ancient Marseilles, which was scourged so sharply by the plague in former centuries, has been pierced with broad avenues; streams of pure water flow down the gutters of the narrow streets and alleys, and the pavements of the principal thoroughfares are watered and swept with a care and frequency, which leaves nothing to be desired, as there is no tide to maintain the circulation of sea water through inclosed ports. The inevitable result is that the latter grows foul and pestilant. The same conditions were instigated by equally vigorous sanitary measures which prevail at Toulon, and it is thought it was the dredging of a disused dock there, during the months of April and May, which developed the seeds of the present epidemic. In spite of this a number of deaths have occurred in the cleanest and most handsome portions of Marseilles. The attack of cholera this year was far more vigorous and fatal than in the great epidemic nineteen years ago, and all present indication points to summer gloom and suffering for the people of Toulon and Marseilles. All that energy and liberality could perform—all that sanitary science could suggest—has been done, but the pestilence is here, and defies restraint. However, few emigrants for American ports ever embark here as the steamers leaving Marseilles usually touch at two or more Mediterranean stations before leaving their final point of departure, and immigrants usually go to this ultimate port of departure to debark for the United States. It is, therefore, respectfully suggested that all vessels bringing immigrants or baggage to the United States from Bordeaux, Havre, La Rochelle, or any other French port not yet declared infected should be subjected, upon their arrival, to the most careful sanitary regulations. Clean bills of health have been refused at this consulate to all vessels clearing for ports in the United States since June 25th, and none will be granted until Marseilles is officially declared free from contagion.

MARINE NEWS.

LONDON, Aug. 2. Arrived out, the ship Amerique from New York.

CHOLERA.

MARSEILLES, Aug. 2.—Up to noon there has been no deaths from cholera here today.

CABINET WAR MEETING.

LONDON, Aug. 2.—After adjournment of the Egyptian Conference, a meeting of the Cabinet will be held to discuss the result.

FOR CENTRAL AFRICA.

BERLIN, Aug. 2.—Herr Schweinfirth will start soon for Central Africa in behalf of the Berlin Academy of Science.

FOREIGNERS LEAVING FOO CHOW.

LONDON, August 2.—A dispatch today from Foo Chow asserts that it is the general impression in that city, that war between France and China is inevitable. Both natives and foreigners are leaving the city.

HOW IT STARTED.

PARIS, Aug. 2.—The epidemic which now prevails at Marseilles and Toulon, is Asiatic cholera imported beyond all reasonable doubt, from Saigon City, by the French transport Sartlico to the port of Toulon. At first the disease was of the type medically classified as venign, but its malignity has since increased by its further diffusion and development under the influence of the hot weather.

LATEST FROM CHINA.

LONDON, August 2.—A Times dispatch from Foo Chow, dated July 31st, says, that China has refused to pay the indemnity demanded by France. The sum what had been granted to China by France to decide upon the matter has been prolonged beyond August 1st. A secret which has been issued, ordering Chinese not to molest foreigners. French civilians and mandarins however assert that the lives of foreigners are not safe. The English flagship is hauling sailors to act in defense of foreigners in Foo Chow.

The China Merchant's fleet was sold to an American for 5,250,000 taels, or nearly $7,300,000. War to all appearance is imminent.

NEW TO-DAY.

FOR SALE.

A small retail business, doing a paying trade. Price, $50. Address Retailer, this office.

Climax Washing Powder, used in every family. Give it a trial.

Pure wines, pure liquors and pure brandies at Fell & Co.'s.

The best place to buy your groceries is at Fell & Co.'s, Fort street

The old established grocery house of Fell & Co. sell at bed rock prices.

Ladies' and gents' Lawn Tennis shoes just received at the B. C. Boot and Shoe store. H. Mansell.

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Ladies, see the French Balmorals' and button boots, received direct at the B. C. Boot and Shoe Store. H. Mansell.

For delicious soda water with any kind of flavoring also fresh fruits, W. H. S. Perkins at 216 Fort street has the best and finest. jy15

WIG MAKING.—All kinds of ladies' hair work done to order; faded switches dyed equal to new. MRS. DUPONT, Fort and Blanchard streets, P. O. Box 122.

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TO LET.—Furnished and unfurnished rooms Apply at Brick House, Rae Street, two doors East of Blanchard.

TO LET.—Two furnished rooms, double and single; gentlemen preferred; Fort street, third house, above Bavaria Brewery, between Blanchard and Quadra streets.

WANTED.

WANTED.—By a respectable woman, housework by the day. Address C. M., this office.

WANTED—By an intelligent woman, a situation as chambermaid. Address, "A. M. C.," this office.

WANTED, the public to know that bargains in Real Estate are offered by W. H. Mason, Government street, near the postoffice.

Great Reductions!
W. H. S. PERKINS,
Of the
ARCTIC SODA FOUNTAIN,
216 Fort Street, is selling
Iced Soda Water!
With Any Kind of Syrup Except Monkey Soup, for the Small Sum of
FIVE CENTS PER GLASS.

E. J. SALMON & Co.
No. 85 Johnson Street,
Have Recently Received Bed Room
FURNITURE.
CROCKERY, CUTLERY, Glassware, Enameled and Tinned Saucepans and Preserving Pans.
Also a Fine Line of
STEEL FIREIRONS AND FENDERS
Indian Curiosities
In Variety.
Note the Address, E. J. Salmon & Co's House Furnishing Store, 85 Johnson street.

Notice to the Public.

VICTORIA, July 31, 1884.

The undersigned having purchased from a Barclay Sound Indian one fishing net reported to have been picked up off Cape Beal, the said net being in good condition, with floats attached, the said floats marked JOH & CO. No lead or lead lines attached thereto. If not claimed will be sold at the expiration of two weeks from date. Said net to be seen at G. MONTHIOS', corner Fisgard and Store streets, Victoria, B. C.

NOTICE.

The Victoria Public and High Schools will reopen on Monday August 4th, at 9 o'clock a. m.
☞ Due notice will be given of the opening of the Johnson street Ward School, which is expected to be completed in two weeks.
CHAS. HAYWARD,
Secretary Board of Trustees.

Notice.

Neither the steamer Eliza Anderson nor owners will be responsible for any debts contracted by the officers or crew without a written order therefore signed by the captain or purser.
THOS. WRIGHT,
Manager.

NOTICE

Is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Honorable Chief Commissioner of lands and work for permission to purchase 40 acres of land more or less, on Valdez Island, known as Rebecca Spitt, including all the land north of he Indian Reserve at head of Drew's Harbor o ntained in said spitt.
JAMES E. MILLER.
July 19th, 1884.

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FORT STREET, VICTORIA, B. C.
THE BEST QUALITY OF WINES, LIQUORS and Cigars. Brandy, Wine and Ale on draft or by the bottle. All kinds of imported case liquors for sale.

THIRTY DAYS SALE!
COMMENCING
MONDAY, JULY 14th.
VICTORIA HOUSE,
GOVERNMENT STREET.
The undersigned is adding another story to his building, and is about to make extensive alterations on the ground floor, in consequence of which the whole of the large stock of Dry Goods is offerered at
Cost Price For Cash!
WM. DENNY,
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LANGLEY & CO.,
Pharmaceutical Chemists,
Wholesale and Retail
DRUGGISTS
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PHILHARMONIC HALL.
Tivoli Comic Opera
COMPANY
WILL POSITIVELY APPEAR
FRIDAY, AUGUST 1st.
IN
PERICHOLE.
Saturday Matinee—THE MASCOT.
Regular Prices. No extra charge for reserved seats. Box plan at Hibben & Co.'s.

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Boot & Shoe
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Offers a Magnificent Assortment of
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—AND—
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BEST STYLES FOR LADIES EVER OPENED IN VICTORIA.
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J. H. TODD & SON,
Importers and Dealers in
General Merchandise.
Have on Hand a Large Stock of
Sugars, Teas, Coffee,
Tobacco and Cigarettes, Pipes, Pocket Cutlery, etc., Staple Dry Goods, Overalls, and Jumpers, Shirts and Drawers, Hosiery, Hats, Handkerchiefs, Paper Collars.
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Canned Salmon, HORSESHOE BRAND.
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VICTORIA, B. C. (1)

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Job Work Executed with Neatness and Dispatch.
All Work Guaranteed to give Satisfaction.
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Rock Bay Saw Mill.
[ESTABLISHED 1882.]

WM. P. SAYWARD,
Manufacturer and Dealer in
Island Lumber and Spars.
Importer and Dealer in
Doors, Windows, and all kinds of Dressed Lumber, Etc.
VICTORIA, B. C. (1)

DOMINION
STEAMSHIP LINE.

RUNNING BETWEEN
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Running between Liverpool and Quebec. Steamers large and fast. The saloon, staterooms music room, smoking room and bathrooms are amidships where but little motion is felt, and are luxuriously fitted up, and carry neither cattle or sheep. The accommodation is unexcelled by any other line. The voyage is 500 miles shorter than via New York.
Tickets issued by Mr. N. Shakespeare of this city, corner View and Broad streets, who is agent for the above steamship line. (1)

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Real Estate Agents,
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Offer For Sale:
SEVERAL Choice business lots in the heart of the city, several dwelling houses in most eligible locations, four or five choice farms in South Saanich and other districts.
—ALSO—
SEVERAL plots of land on Lulu Island, Fraser River.
A Large Number of Homestead Lots on the Hillside Extension of the Work Estate.
Also a number of acre lots on the Belmoile Road Extension of the same.
All on Easy Terms of Payment.
MONEY TO LOAN,
on Real Estate security, at reasonable rates, and in sums to suit.
ALL KINDS OF CONVEYANCES
and other documents prepared with dispatch.
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OF BROOKLYN, N. Y.
H. F. HEISTERMAN & CO.,
Real Estate Agents,
LANGLEY STREET.

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DEALER IN
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STATIONERY,
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OUR SPECIALTIES:
Calendar Blotting Tablets.
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OCCIDENTAL HOTEL
COR. WHARF & JOHNSON STS.,
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Board and Lodging, from $1 00 to $1 50 per day
ACCORDING TO ROOM.
THE LARGEST AND MOST CONVENIENT Hotel in the city. The Table well supplied. Everything New. N. B.—Burton and Ellenburgh Ales a specialty.
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Fort Street, Victoria, B. C.
M. R. SMITH,
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All Kinds of Cakes made to order and supplied at short notice.
Bread Delivered to any part of City.

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THE BEST OF WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS AT THE BAR.

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UPHOLSTRY IN ALL ITS BRANCHES.
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Importing
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Another Shipment
Fresh Sacramento Fruit
Tomatoes 10 cents per pound; $1.25 per box. Cucumbers 25 cents per dozen. Potatoes a Specialty, at
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THE PACIFIC COAST STEAMSHIP CO'S
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Queen of the Pacific,
CAPTAIN ALEXANDER
Will sail from the VICTORIA WHARF, outer harbor for San Francisco, on
MONDAY, AUGUST 4th, at Noon,
Intending shippers are requested to make arrangements for freight as early as possible so that room may be reserved for their shipments.
Freight for shipment by her is requested to be on the wharf of the undersigned by 5 o'clock P. M. Saturdays August 2
For Freight and Passage apply to
Welch, Rithet & Co., Agents.

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KNOWN for the BEST VALUE
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MEN'S AND BOYS'
JUST RECEIVED HATS NEW STYLES.
Underclothing, Hosiery, Neckwear,
BALANCE OF SUMMER CLOTHING
AT REDUCED PRICES
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THE STEAMER PRINCESS LOUISE,
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Will leave Victoria Saturday, August 2d,
AT 9:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.
FOR QUEEN CHARLOTTE ISLANDS
Calling at Fort Simpson, Metlakahtla, Skeena, and all points of interest
Passage for the Round Trip, of
From Twelve to Fifteen Days,
Has been placed at the low rate of
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Including Meals and Beds.
All who wish to enjoy a fine trip should secure tickets at as early a date as possible.
For further particulars enquire at the office of the C. P. N. Co., Limited.
JNO. IRVING, Manager

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Especial attention is directed to our Millinery Department, which is under the management of an experienced milliner.
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Real Estate ..... City, Suburban and Country Property for sale in large or small lots.
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Deeds ..... Of all kinds prepared at short notice.
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NOTARY PUBLIC AND CONVEYANCER.
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SALESROOM—FIRE PROOF BUILDING, YATES ST.
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☞ Liberal advances made on consignments.
☞ To fail state the sale of Real Estate, I have complete maps of Victoria, Esquimalt, New Westminster and the Districts.
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Manufacturer and Dealer in
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TABLETS, TOMBS, MANTELS, &c.
Designs and Prices Furnished on Application.
P. O. Box 377.

THE INDIAN BAZAAR.
J. ISAACS & CO.
DEALERS IN
FURS, ROBES,
Indian Curios.
Guns, Ammunition, Fishing Tackle and Refining
Cor. Johnson and Oriental Streets.
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Wagon Makers & Blacksmiths.
YATES ST., near Broad, Victoria, B.
Buggies, Spring Wagons and Carts for sale at a bargain. (1)

MANN & HERON,
Manufacturers and Importers of
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Trunks, Valises, Etc.
Fort Street, Victoria, B. C. (1)

LOCAL NEWS.

Elegant Drinking Fountain Presented the City.

AUTOPSY ON JAS. KENNEDY.

The Young Meat Carvers—A Charge of Larceny—Rev. Dr. Marvin—Sad Death of a Child.

SAILING OF THE PRINCESS LOUISE.

The Rev. Frederick B. Marvin.

Rev. Frederick B. Marvin, recently of the First Congregational Church, Portland, arrived in the city last night, accompanied by Mrs. Marvin, and they are now at the Driard. Perhaps no other minister on the Pacific Coast is better known than Mr. Marvin, or more highly appreciated by the educated, thinking classes. He is a talented gentleman, a close scholar, and withal a bold, brave man, who in spite of the narrow prejudices and idle fears of a good portion of an audience ignorant, and superstitious, still courageously proclaims what all men of fair acquirements must know to be true. For this, this portion of his church thought to ostracize him, raising the old cry that his teachings were unorthodox and heretical. These misguided and stiff-necked people were, moreover, aided by a portion of the press that knew no more about science and theology than it did about journalism. But notwithstanding this the doctrines of Mr. Marvin commanded attention. His sermons were printed and read with interest, and readers became hearers. Mr. Marvin has recently returned from a visit to New York. He and his accomplished wife are now paying British Columbia a visit prior to their departure to the east, where it is understood Mr. Marvin has been called. His departure will be a great loss to the Pacific Coast. Many people will take pleasure in remembering that Mr. Marvin has, in all his teachings, acted the part of a scholar, and a conscientious, courageous Christian gentleman. The writer has long felt that Mr. Marvin deserved the strong words of encouragement which all men, battling for a decent recognition of the truth, as against ignorance and prejudice, should receive. Since the foregoing was put in type it is learned that Dr. Marvin will occupy the pulpit of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church to-morrow evening. The Victoria public will be glad to learn this and will give the eloquent gentleman a full house.

Autopsy on the Body of Kennedy.

Dr. Jackson yesterday afternoon made an examination of the body of James T. Kennedy, found dead in his bed yesterday, the autopsy revealing that his death occurred from natural causes, the disease being aneurism. A certificate was given to this effect. The body is at present in charge of Supt. Bloomfield, of the Police Department. His property, consisting of about one acre of ground and a rather large house at Beacon Hill, is reported to be worth some $5,000 or $6,000. No will was discovered, and Mr. Prevost, the official administrator, will at once take charge. The funeral obsequies will take place from the Reformed Episcopal Church, to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock, the Right Rev. Bishop Cridge, delivering the discourse. Deceased was a quiet, unassuming man, and though a resident of the city for many years, there are many citizens who knew him but casually.

OUR FREE PARLIAMENT.

Soldiers Not Considered Pious.

VICTORIA, Aug. 1, 1884.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES:

SIR—I, as an old pioneer, regard the phase the militia has assumed this summer as farcical, as regards any immediate or remote benefit, we are likely to derive from it. In fact it is a playing at soldiering, to give some snob a show to wear a feather. While at the same time, it has taken a number of young men away from industrial pursuits, to sow, perchance, the seeds of an idle, thriftless career, which the common soldier is more remarkable for than for his piety. But of course under the blessings of confederation we must have the whole cumbersome machinery of the system; though it is a howdah on a mouse, notwithstanding.

Presentation of "La Perichole."

As might have been expected Philharmonic hall was crowded last evening when the curtain rose in the first act of "La Perichole." The interest in the opera did not reach the climax, however, until the third of the four acts, was presented. In this Miss King and Stevens and Hagenauer brought down the house by their rapid transitions from the sublime to the ridiculous. The last two acts were much shorter than those preceding. The audience went away, having been well entertained. At the matinee this afternoon was presented "La Mascot" to a crowded audience. To-night will be presented the "Grand Duchess," and on Monday evening the company will give a benefit to Mr. W. R. Gibbon, the opera for which will be announced at the hall this evening.

For Northern Ports.

Steamer Princess Louise, Capt. Meyer, will leave this evening on a trip to Queen Charlotte Islands and way ports. The following have already secured passage and many others registered this afternoon: Mrs Anderson, Chas Hall & wife, Chas Grant & wife, Mr Williams & wife, J D Hall, G W Lichtenthater, Wm Denham, H Benckman, Rev W B Cayler & wife, and R Maynard & wife. The steamer also takes a full cargo of general freight and fifty head of cattle.

The Drinking Fountain Arrived.

Yesterday's Sound steamer brought in from New York the public drinking and ornamental fountain, the gift to the Corporation of the city of Victoria from a few public spirited citizens. The fountain is one of chaste design. It will be erected without delay at the junction of Government and Douglas streets, on the plot known as the Champs Elysees. This will certainly be a great improvement to that portion of the city, and supply a much felt want. This is an example well worthy of imitation by others.

To Mess with the Artillery.

Lieutenant Lyons will dine with the officers of the garrison artillery, now in camp at Beacon Hill, this evening. The artillery band will favor them with choice selections of music during mess. The battery will muster at 8 p.m. in heavy marching order for kit inspection. The citizens should avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing the splendid selections by the band every evening.

A Postponement.

Owing to an order from Hon. Justice Crease, in the Supreme Court, the sale of property belonging to the Rhodes estate, which was announced by Mr. J. P. Davies & Co., has been postponed.

DISTINGUISHED CANADIANS.

Men Who Have Shaped the Destiny of Their Country—When They Went Into Office.

The following has been compiled by THE TIMES from the Dominion Register for 1883. Names and ages of many prominent public men are omitted, which is considered very unfortunate, for the reliability of the work on this head alone will be questioned. However, it will interest many to know the ages of such as are at present playing their part in the shaping of Canada's destiny:

AGES OF DISTINGUISHED MEN.

Sir John A. Macdonald was born in Glasgow, Scotland, on the 11th of January, 1815. Is now in his 70th year. He has sat in the parliament of Canada uninterruptedly since 1844.

Sir Hector Langevin is in his 58th year, being born on the 25th of August, 1826.

Hon. J. A. Chapleau is in his 40th year. Was born 9th of November, 1844.

Sir L. Tilley was born on the 8th of May, 1818. Is in his 67th year.

Hon. Edward Blake was born in Adelaide, Ont., October 13, 1833, and is now in his 51st year.

Sir Richard Cartwright was born 13th of December, 1835. Is now in his 49th year.

Hon. Alex. Mackenzie was born near Dunkeld, Scotland, 28th of January, 1822. Is now in his 62d year.

Sir Chas. Tupper was born July 21, 1822. Is therefore contemporaneous with Mr. Mackenzie.

Hon. Mr. Smithe, premier of this province, was born in Northumberland, England, on the 30th of June, 1842. Is now in his 42nd year.

Hon. John Robson is in his 60th year. Was born at Perth, Ont., 14th March, 1824.

Hon. A. E. B. Davie was born in Somersetshire, England, November, 1846, and is now in his 38th year.

Hon. R. Beaven was born on the 28th of January, 1836, in Staffordshire, England. Is in his 48th year.

Sir Matthew B. Begbie was born in England in 1818. Has been member of the English bar since 1844. Was Knighted in 1875.

James Bethune, Q. C., was born in Glengarry, Ont., 7th of July, 1840.

Sir Alexander Campbell was born in Yorkshire, England, in 1822.

Hon. John Carling, postmaster-general, was born in London, Ont., 23rd of January, 1828.

Hon. John Costigan was born 1st of February, 1835.

Hon. Edward Dewdney was born in Devonshire, England, in 1835.

Sir A. A. Dorion was born 17th of January, 1818.

J. D. Edgar was born in the Eastern Townships, 10th of August, 1841.

Hon. C. F. Fraser was born in Brockville, Ont., in 1838.

Sir A. T. Galt was born at Chelsea, Eng., 6th September, 1817.

Hon. J. H. Gray was born at St. George's, Bermuda, W. I., in 1814. Was premier of New Brunswick in 1856. Was appointed Puisine Judge of Supreme Court, B. C., in 1872.

Rt. Rev. Geo. Hills, Bishop of British Columbia, was born in Egthorn, England, in 1816, and created Bishop in 1859.

Sir Francis Hincks was born in Ireland on the 14th of December, 1807.

Hon. C. F. Cornwall was born in England in 1833. Appointed Lieutenant-Governor in 1881.

Dalton McCarthy, Q. C. was born near Dublin, Ireland, on 5th of May, 1841.

Hon. Wm. McDougall, born in Toronto, 25th January, 1822.

Geo. Stephen, President of the C. P. R. Co., was born near Duffton, Banffshire, Scotland, in 1830.

Hon. George A. Walkem was born at Newry, Ireland, in November, 1834.

Hon. H. P. P. Crease was born in Ireland, but year not given.

Goldwin Smith was born in Reading, England, on the 13th of August, 1823.

Building Notes.

Mr. Chandler is having a fine two-story frame of Elizabethian design, erected on Simcoe street, James Bay, which will be quite an addition to the number of handsome buildings already erected in that quarter of our fair city. Mr. Cluness is the contractor.

Mr. Lamb is erecting a fine two-story frame house on Michigan avenue for Mr. Lenevue. Judging from the plans, which were drawn by Messrs. Harris & Hargreaves, it will be a commodious and handsome structure. The cost will be about $4000.

Messrs. Moore & Chisholm will begin operations on a new brick store on Cormorant street for Hong Yuen on Monday.

May Marine Disasters.

The directions of the Bureau Veritas has just issued the following statistics of marine disasters reported during the month of May, 1884, concerning all flags: Steamers reported lost—1 American, 12 British, 1 Chinese, 1 Greek—total 15. Net tonnage, 11,259. Sailing vessels reported lost—5 American, 38 British, 2 German, 2 Austrian, 2 Chilean, 1 Danish, 10 French, 2 Greek, 4 Italian, 1 Liberian, 8 Norwegian, 1 Dutch, 1 Portugese, 1 Russian, 6 Swedish—total 85. In this number are included 15 vessels reported missing. Net tonnage, 84,311.

The Annie Wright Seminary.

The Annie Wright Seminary, Bishop Paddock's, boarding and day school for girls at Tacoma, W. T., is ready for occupancy. The Bishop and family, with Mr. Wells and his family, move in this week, when the building will be put in order for the opening of school, the 4th of September next. The beautiful location of this school, built with special reference to school and sanitary requirements, will commend it to all parents having a regard to the health of their daughters.

Seattle Reds Base Ball Club.

Members of the Seattle Reds Base Ball Club, says the Post Intelligencer, held a meeting to discuss the matter of coming to Victoria to play a match game. They decided they could not come at the present time, but would do so at some future time.

VICTORIA MARINE MATTERS.

Schooner Black Diamond arrived yesterday with about sixty yards of wood from Saanich.

Steamer Wilmington left San Francisco July 30th for Victoria, and the Barpard Castle for Nanaimo.

Looking for Lockians.

Mr. W. M. Halpenny will start with a party of intending settlers for Alberni, by way of Nanaimo on Monday. Persons wishing to examine the land in that locality should join the party.

Cricket.

The members of the local Cricket club indulged in their usual game to-day on Beacon Hill. The match was between the married and single members.

CITY COUNCIL.

An Adjourned Session Held Last Night.

THE NANAIMO SUFFERERS' FUND.

The Loan By-Law—Rates of Taxation—Various Reports—Bills for June—Cautionary Advice.

CONTEMPLATED IMPROVEMENTS

An adjourned meeting of the City Council was held last evening. There were present Mayor Carey, and Councilors Wrigleswerth, Vigelius, Gowen, Porter and Robinson.

Councilor Vigelius enquired if the $250 for the Nanaimo sufferers had been paid. The Mayor thought it had not.

Councilor J. Robertson asked if the $250 voted to the volunteers had been paid. The Mayor said it had.

THE LOCAL BY-LAW.

On motion of Councilors Gowen and Wrigleswerth the by-law to raise a loan of $100,000 was considered in committee and read a first time. The by-law provides for raising $100,000, of which the sum of $50,000 is for the construction of a new system of water works, $5,000 for drainage, $25,000 for building a police barracks, $12,500 for the purchase of the electric light, and $7,500 for improvements in streets and bridges. The issue of debentures will be in sums of not less than $100, and the interest will be 5½ per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly. On the present assessment of $2,809,675 the rate of taxation, in order to raise the required interest and sinking fund, will be 1½ per cent.

Councilors Wrigleswerth and Vigelius moved that the polling be held on the 13th of August, and that Mr. Bull be returning officer, and Messrs. Edman, Robinson and Brooks deputies.

Councilor Vigelius thought the by-law should be advertised in a morning paper and also in THE TIMES, as the latter was a new institution and worthy of support. This was agreed to by the Council.

An application was read from J. J. Moore for permission to use a part of Cormorant street for building purposes. Permission granted.

REPORTS.

A report was read from a special committee, recommending that the City Surveyor and Mr. Harris be instructed to complete the new map as soon as possible.

From Mr. Leech, stating that the brush near the Johnson ward school house could be cleaned off for $25; grading the sidewalk on Chatham street near Mr. Wellin's cottages could be done for $30; repairs on Simcoe street could be done for $468, and the sidewalk near Mr. Collins' property on Store street could be done for $28.14. Report was adopted with the exception of clause three.

From John Flewin, sanitary officer regarding certain nuisance. Report received and adopted.

Councilors Vigelins and Wrigleswerth moved that the clerk be requested to communicate with Mr. Pearce asking him to deed over the property on Chatham street as per offer.

Councilor Wrigleswerth referred to the advisability of getting Mr. Hendry's report and by-law printed in pamphlet form.

Councilor Wrigleswerth and Vigelius moved that the $250 voted in aid of the Nanaimo sufferers be handed to the Post to be sent with the amount already collected.

The Mayor stated that the motion would require one weeks's notice.

Councilor Wrigleswerth claimed that it was rescinding a former motion and could be done without any notice. There was no justice or fairness in such ruling unless the authority could be shown. The Mayor he claimed would not allow the members of the Council to conduct the business in their own way.

Councilor Gowen said the Mayor had signed a check for the grant to the Artillery and had refused to sign the other. Mayor Carey stated that he was ready to sign it any time.

BILLS FOR JUNE.

Sundry bills for June were read and referred to the Finance Committee, to be paid if found correct.

Mayor Carey stated that a large amount of money was being expended, and he recommended caution. He would not sign a check over the amount allowed for the annual expenditure.

After some informal discussion, the Council adjourned.

The New Westminster Railroad.

The Mainland Guardian has the following concerning the New Westminster railroad. It may interest our readers to know the names of the fortunate gentlemen who have obtained a charter to build the railroad: Joseph Sexton Knevitt de Knevitt, president; W. Norman Bole, secretary and treasurer. The other members of the ring are L. R. McInnes, J. H. Coulthard, James Cunningham, Robert Dickinson and John Hendry. The company is represented in the council chamber by the mayor, Mr. Cunningham, and Mr. Hendry. These gentlemen will take care of the company. The city property is in safe hands. All honorable men. De Knevitt knows nothing of the little game played by the other six.

Courtright and Hawkins' Minstrels.

The lovers of refined comedy have a treat in store for them next Wednesday, at which time will appear at Philharmonic Hall, the famous Courtright and Hawkins' Comedy Convocation. The laughable comedies "Fun on the Sound" and "Gillespie's Troubles" will be presented. They are accompanied by Bobby Gaylor, the most popular of comedians.

THE COURTS.

POLICE COURT—PEMBERTON, J.

Lucy, an Indian—Drunk; fined $1 25 and costs of suit.

John Bishop—Same; pleaded guilty, fined $1 25.

Johannes Schraum—Same; fined $1 25.

Jim—Larceny; three months imprisonment.

Setaknim, an Indian—Being in possession of stolen goods, charge withdrawn.

A Hot Day.

August came in yesterday rather warm. It was estimated that it was the warmest day of the season, and numerous were the exclamations in regard to it. These were all, however, laid in the shade, and shelved, when about noon to-day the sun came out hotter than ever. It has been beyond doubt by far the warmest day of the year.

Still Ill.

Captain Aitcheson, of H. M. S. Swiftsure is still ill at the Naval Hospital, Esquimalt. This morning it was reported that there was no visible improvement.

THE NEW DRIARD.

A Substantial Brick to be Erected Soon on the Corner of View and Broad Streets.

For some time past Mr. Louis Redon, the energetic proprietor of the widely known Driard House, has been contemplating the erection of a new and commodious structure, in order to afford more room to guests, who have very greatly increased in numbers during the past few months. Mr. Redon said last evening in response to inquiries from a TIMES representative that he had now decided to build the contemplated structure on his vacant ground just west of the present Driard, on the northwest corner of View and Broad streets. The new hotel will be of brick and three stories high. It will have a length of 126 feet, and a width of 45 feet. There will be five stores fronting on Broad street, each about 25x45 feet in size. In the second and third stories will be about 100 fine rooms, besides bath rooms, numerous closets, etc. Elevators will conduct guests to the upper stories, and everything will be added which will increase their comfort and convenience. There will be a large number of wide bay windows. In fact it is the intention to make them nearly all of this class. There will be a commodious carriage-way from Broad into View street, so that guests entering or leaving cabs can do so without the slightest inconvenience. There were 220 guests at the Driard last night, and Mr. Redon feels that he must speedily provide more ample facilities for accommodating them. The new portion of the hotel will be be a tasty structure, and will materially add to the appearance of that portion of the city. The tenders will be called for soon. The site is a remarkably good one, as most everyone is aware. The Driard, widely known as it is, and everywhere commended, is likely to add new laurels to its fair reputation.

Church Services To-morrow.

Cathedral Hall, View street. Rev. Father Bouchard, S. J., will deliver a lecture to-morrow evening.

The Rev. C. Watson, of New Westminster, will officiate at the Methodist Church to-morrow morning and evening.

First Presbyterian Church, corner Pandora and Blanchard street. Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m.

The Calvary Baptist Society will meet as usual at Masonic hall, corner Douglas and Fisguard streets, at 11 a. m. and at 7 p. m. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m.

St. Johns Episcopal Church, corner Douglas and Fisguard street, Rev. Mr. Jenns officiating. Services at 11 a. m. and at 7 p. m. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m.

The Reformed Episcopal Church, Humboldt street, by the Rev. Bishop Cridge. Services will be held at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Bible reading at 7:30 on Friday evening of the week.

St. Andrews' Cathedral, Humboldt street, Rev. Father Jonquean. The services of low mass will be observed at 8 a. m. High mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a. m. The evening service will begin at 7 p. m.

St. Andrews' Presbyterian Church, Courtney street, the Rev. James Christie will officiate. Services at 11 a. m. and also at 7 p. m. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. Rev. Dr. Marvin, of the First Congregational Church, Portland, will preach in the evening, his subject being annannounced.

LOCAL NOTES.

The By-law authorizing a loan of $100,000 will be found in another column.

The heat increased so that at 3 o'clock to-day the thermometer registered 83 degrees in the shade.

Two white men and an Indian woman were charged this morning in Police Court with being drunk. They all pleaded guilty and were fined $1 25 and costs each.

The Equitable Gazette, a neatly printed and entertaining journal in magazine form, is acknowledged from Clinton G. Ballenfuge, general agent of the Equitable life insurance company, this city.

PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. John Leary, and Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Gatzert, and a party of friends, of Seattle, are announced to arrive here next week on a pleasure trip.

A pretty correct photo of General Chas. Crocker occupies a place on the bulletin board of Mr. Frank Campbell, corner of Government and Yates street.

Mr. C. E. Cunningham, late of London, Ontario, is one of the recent arrivals in this city. He is accompanied by his wife and little son. They will probably make their home in this city in future, as they are pleased with the appearance of the capital city of British Columbia.

The New Steam Scow.

The Steam Scow owned by Messrs. Potter and Roxborough arrived last evening with lumber from the Cowichan Mills. This is a stern wheeler, built in this city, and this is her first trip. She has proved a success, and will be used in freighting lumber and cord wood.

The Recent Carving Affair.

The two young Chinese who engaged in a cutting escapade on Thursday night at Heathorn's shoe factory, are disposed to settle the matter amicably, without calling on the authorities. At present no complaints or arrests have been made.

A Charge of Larceny.

Jim, a West Coast Indian, was charged this morning with stealing a pair of pants from Mr. McLean's store on Fort street. This morning he pleaded guilty and was sentenced to three months imprisonment with hard labor.

A Sad Loss.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Baker will have the sympathy of their many friends in the great loss which they have sustained in the death of their only child—a little daughter—which took place yesterday afternoon.

Will Sail Monday at Noon.

The Queen of the Pacific, Capt. Alexander, sails from the Victoria wharf for San Francisco on Monday, at noon, with passengers and freight. The Queen will probably arrive here early Monday morning.

GLADSTONE'S OPINION OF THE CONFERENCE

LONDON, Aug. 2.—In the House of Commons this afternoon, Gladstone announced the failure of the Egyptian conference to arrive at any conclusion, and the conference, after a brief session, adjourned sine die, without arriving at any agreement. This is regarded tantamount to dissolution.

The Yosemite arrived at 3 o'clock from New Westminster, with a large number of passengers, freight and mail.

AN ALLEGED GRIEVANCE.

A Complaint from the Prince Albert Halfbreeds Exploded.

The Ottawa Free Press has the following: "The halfbreed settlers in the Prince Albert region have got a grievance," said a Free Press representative to Mr. J. Hall, the acting Deputy Minister of the Interior, this forenoon.

"What's wrong now?" asked the deputy.

"They say that the Dominion surveyors have made ducks and drakes of their primitive settlements, which consisted of a frontage on the river and a long stretch back."

"Oh! of course the district in question was surveyed under the new Dominion regulations just the same as all other parts of the Northwest, but the claims of each settler have been taken up separately by the Dominion Lands Inspector and reported upon to the department, and it will deal then with them in an impartial manner."

"Then the same rights will be accorded these settlers as was given the halfbreeds on the Red and Assiniboine rivers?"

"They will be and are protected in their rights in an exactly similar manner. No injustice will be done any of them, but each will be treated according to the merits of his claims. That is the policy of the Interior Department."

For Repairs.

The Rock Bay sawmill has been shut down for two or three days, while small repairs are being done.

SHOT IN COURT.

PARIS, Aug. 2.—While Judge Puy was giving evidence to-day in the civil tribunal at Peripquan against his brother-in-law for defamation of character, the latter shot him, inflicting serious wounds. The assailant was arrested.

Convenient for References.

The B. C. Directory (1884-5) is at present in progress of publication by R. P. Williams, who will spare neither expense nor labor to make it complete in every respect. All subscribers' names will appear in large type. Mr. William Wolz is the authorized canvasser for the Province.

For an excellent meal well cooked, attentive waiters, everything clean and nice, the Oriental Restaurant carries the palm.

BILLIARDS.—All lovers of this favorite game should go to the Garrick's Head to enjoy a pleasant time on the Brunswick and Balke tables.

A BY-LAW

To enable the Corporation of the City of Victoria to raise the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars for the purposes therein set forth.

WHEREAS, THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF the corporation of the City of Victoria has resolved to raise the following sums of money, aggregating $100,000, for the following purposes respectively:

For the purpose of constructing a low and a high service reservoir and extending and carrying on water works for the supply of water to the City of Victoria, the sum of $50,000.

For such plan or scheme as may be approved and accepted by the corporation to provide an efficient system of drainage for the City of Victoria, the sum of $5,000.

For the erection and maintenance of a building adjoining the City Hall for a Police Barracks and Lockup for the said city, the sum of $25,000.

For purchasing the electric light plant as provided by the Electric Light By-Law 1883, the sum of $12,500.

And for the improvement and construction of streets and bridges, the sum of $7,500.

And whereas it will require the sum of $9,222 to be raised annually by special rate for the payment of the said debt and interest thereon, as is hereinafter mentioned.

And whereas, the amount of the whole ratable property of the said corporation of the City of Victoria, according to the last revised assessment roll, being for the year 1884, the sum of $2,809,675, irrespective of any future increase of the ratable property of the municipality and taxes payable in the future on bank interest or dividends from the work, and also irrespective of any income from the temporary investment of the sinking fund or any part thereof.

And whereas, for paying the interest and creating an equal yearly sinking fund for paying the said principal sum of $100,000 and interest, as hereinafter mentioned, it will require an equal annual special rate of one third of one cent on the dollar.

It is therefore enacted by the Mayor and Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria:

1. That it shall be lawful for the Mayor of the City of Victoria to raise by way of loan from any person or persons body or bodies corporate who may be willing to advance the sum upon the credit of the debentures hereinafter mentioned a sum of money not exceeding in the whole the sum of $100,000, and cause the same to be paid into the hands of the Treasurer of the said corporation for the purposes and with the objects above recited.

2. That it shall be lawful for the said Mayor to cause any number of debentures to be made for such sums as may be required not less than $100 each, and that the said debentures shall be sealed with the seal of the said Corporation of the City of Victoria, and be signed by the Mayor of the said corporation.

3. That the said debentures shall be made payable in twenty years at furthest from the day hereinafter mentioned for this By-Law to take effect, at the office of the Treasurer of the corporation of the City of Victoria, and shall have attached to them coupons for the payment of the interest.

4. That the said debentures shall bear interest at and after the rate of five per centum per annum, from the date thereof, which interest shall be payable half yearly, at the office of the Treasurer of the Municipality.

5. That for the purpose of forming a sinking fund for the payment of the said debentures, and the interest at the rate aforesaid to become due thereon an equal special rate of one-third of one per cent in the dollar shall be added in addition to all other rates to be levied, and collected in each year upon all rateable property in the said Municipality during the continuance of the said debentures, or any of them.

6. It shall be lawful for the said Municipal Council, from time to time, to repurchase any of the said debentures and such debentures shall be so expressed as to enable the said Council to redeem and purchase the same on paying the amount thereof and interest due thereon to the date of such purchase to the holder or holders thereof, and all debentures so repurchased shall be forthwith cancelled and destroyed, and no re-issue of debentures shall be made in consequence of such repurchase.

7. That this By-Law shall take effect and come into operation upon the 15th day of September, 1884.

8. This By-Law may be cited for all purposes as "The Victoria Loan By-Law, 1884."

Take notice that the above is a true copy of the proposed By-Law upon which the vote of the Municipality will be taken at the Police Barracks for Yates Street Ward, The Council Chamber for Johnson street ward the Hook and Ladder house for the James Bay Ward, on the 13th day of August, A.D. 1884, and the polls will be open between the hours of 9 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M. JAMES D. ROBINSON, C.M.C.

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SIDDY'S ADVICE.

[Louisa Crow in Cassell's Magazine.]

You could not find a more notable woman, in the fishermen's quarter of one pretty seaside town than the wife of Joel Sims. He might work hard in his boat, but he spent all his hours on shore in lounging about or sleeping, whereas Siddy Sims was never idle.

The four fat little children who called her mother were as rosy and healthy as plenty of rubbing and wholesome food could make them, and spiders avoided the queerly-built tenement on the cliff-side, that might be known as Siddy Sims' by the whiteness of the rough stone at the door and the redness of the pots of flowers that filled the windows.

Yet, with all her occupations at home, Siddy was sure to be one of the first on the beach in the early morning, when the boats came in; first to help sort the fish; first to take her place in the market, where her bright smiling face and civility attracted many a customer. And who, when business was over there, tramped away more undauntedly with her basket, to sell her whiting and soles at the doors of the smart villas on the outskirts of the town; coming home not unfrequently to mend nets or make crecls; and if help in a sick-room were needed, to take her turn at sitting up as readily as if it were a pleasure instead of a toil.

Siddy was the best of mothers, after the rough fashion that thinks love may be as truly expressed by a slap or shake as a caress; but it is doubtful whether her children were nearer to her heart than a younger brother of Joel's, who occupied her spare bed-room, and had called her mother ever since she nursed him through a dangerous illness.

That Ned Sims had recovered at all had been due—so said everybody—to her untiring care; and now that he had developed into a great, broad-chested, handsome young fellow, half a foot taller than Joel, and endowed with three times his industry and energy, Siddy was rather apt to take all the credit to herself, and to be proud of him accordingly.

She very often planned his future as she sat making his new shirts or mending his jacket. He was no drinker, thank heaven! and so his savings were mounting up, and he would soon be able to buy himself a share in one of the boats. And then he must marry. "It would be more spectable like to have a wife than to be sauntering about with first one lass and then another."

Yet it gave her a smart shock when, instead of "keeping company" with some girl "to the manner born," some fisherman's daughter like herself, she met Edward, flushed with pride and happiness, by the side of one of the best-looking and best-dressed of the chambermaids at the huge hotel lately erected at the top of the cliff.

It was Sunday morning, and Siddy, coming out of the tiny fishermen's church with her baby in her arms, stopped short and frowned disapproval. Yet it would be hard to say what fault could be found with the pretty little creature who listened to the young fisherman.

"Take my advice," said Siddy the following day, "and break with her. She's too fine a lady for you."

"She don't think so," Ned retorted. "She didn't show to airs nor graces, did she, when she walked home with you from the church, but praised your cold pie, and talked to Joel as nice as nice? And didn't you see how the children took to her?"

"An' kep' me in a fidge to my fingers' ends fur they'd spoil her fine clothes. If sha's going to walk with you, Eddard, don't you let her wear no more o' them fal-lals; it's waste o' money!"

"I don't believe her brown gown," was the angry retort, "cost more than that shawl of your'n Siddy; and its not half as flashy."

After hurling this shaft Ned made his escape, for he knew Siddy would not find it easy to forgive a slighting remark on the huge patterned plaid which she had hitherto worn in happy ignorance of its ugliness.

But ere long she had forgiven the speech, and the cause of it, welcoming pretty Liz whenever she could find time to visit the fishermen's quarter.

The season had not commenced yet, and the huge, half-empty hotel was so inexpressibly dreary that Liz preferred Siddy's homely kitchen, even though it was inconveniently crowded when the children came in from play; Joel's burly frame filled up the end nearest the fire, and Ned took a boyish delight in getting in the way of the busy wife and mother.

Not that Liz was always a grateful recipient of her lover's attentions. She had her fits of willfulness, sometimes evincing an irritability that would lead to a quarrel. Then Ned would stalk out of the house, refusing to hear the remorseful voice that entreated his return; and Liz either fled in another direction, or when advised to keep her tongue within her teeth in future, retorted with the reproach that it was Siddy's fault, she was always making mischief between them.

"If it ain't enough to cut a body to the heart to be told that!" exclaimed the discomfited Siddy. "Don't you never marry her, Eddard."

"I don't suppose she'll let me," replied Ned, with a heavy sigh. The varying moods of the girl were perplexing him sorely. It was not like her to be so petulant. Had he loved her too well?

His gloomy air fretted the woman who loved him with a mother's love, till at last she cried—

"Ha' done with it, lad! You'd better take the shilling and be a soldier than make yourself miserable for a chit of a girl that can't even make up her mind."

"Think so?" was all the response he made, but he lounged away, and was not forthcoming when Joel, his supper eaten, went off to the beach.

An hour afterwards Siddy was watching the fishing fleet glide away toward the setting sun, when she found Liz by her side, ghastly with agitation.

"Where's Ned?" The girls lips formed the question more than uttered it.

"He's down town 'stead of where he ought to be!" and Siddy indicated the boats. "That's your doing!"

"No, no; I've been down the High street," moaned Liz, clutching at her friend for support. "He's not there. He was seen at the railway station with the recruiting sergeant. He's away with him; he's taken the shilling and gone for a soldier."

"And it was my advice that done it!"

As she spoke Siddy dropped on the rough bench in the porch, and for a few minutes she was too giddy to know what else the equally unhappy Liz was saying.

Siddy shut her door against the well-meaning neighbors who would have condoled with her, and all the next day she sought by working harder than ever to forget the violence of the reproaches with which she had driven the weeping Liz from her presence.

Ned a soldier! sent abroad not to wrestle with the elements—that was man's work—but to be cut and hacked by savages! And her eyes would turn against their will, to a hideous death upon the cottage wall—a picture of the battle with the Zulus, in which half a dozen hideous savages were hewing down a young Englishman, who to her excited fancy looked like Ned.

When the children had been put to bed this horrid picture kept her company, till, unable to bear it any longer, she tore it down and thrust it into the fire.

"Siddy!" It was Liz who had stolen upon her, and with extended hands was beseeching her forbearance.

"Oh! bid me good-by kindly," moaned the girl, "for I am going away."

"What's that for?" asked Siddy, harshly.

"I was ill after I went back to my place last night, and they sent for a doctor, and—and—I haven't felt well ever since I slipped off the ladder when we were cleaning the paint."

"Go on," said Siddy, beginning to divine the reason of those fits of irritability that had often surprised her.

"The doctor says I have strained the muscles of my side, and must have a long rest, and so I am no use here and must make room for some one else."

"And you've no friends in London. I've heard you say so. Where'll you go?"

"The doctor has given me a letter for a hospital. Oh, Siddy, say a kind word to lighten my troubles, for they seem more than I can bear."

The strong arms of Siddy were thrown round her and there was silence till, ashamed of her own emotion, the elder woman began making up the fire and putting on the kettle.

"I cannot stay," cried Liz. "I shall lose the train, and they will not keep me at the hotel another night."

"We'll not ask them. You'll bide here. You'll have Ned's room, and I'm going to nurse you well again."

So Liz, her heart heavy, her limbs aching, submitted to be put to bed; and there wept herself into resignation. "When Ned wrote—oh! surely he would write, and tell them where he was!—she could let him know how penitent she was; and though unequal to hard work, she was clever with her needle, and could find plenty who would be willing to employ her.

Joel was away longer than usual, and at the end of the week he came home sulky. To lose good chances as he had done all through being short-handed had exasperated him, and he growled at his wife, abused the missing Ned and looked so black at the guest that she was fain to keep out of his way.

Siddy had much to cope with while his ill humor lasted, but she bore with it as the richly deserved punishment of her hasty advice.

In other respects the world went smoothly. The doctor called on Liz and predicted her speedy recovery.

But nothing would lift the load that lay on Siddy's heart, and as she went home down the cliff side with her empty basket she felt weak and spiritless, for the sight of Lizzie's pale face and the sound of the heavy sighs the girl breathed as she sat in the old armchair with her sewing were continual reproaches to her hostess.

Mechanically the sorrowing woman looked toward the pretty land-locked bay lying below the rocky ledge on which she was resting. The smack of old Aaron Jones, who had sailed away far beyond where the other fishermen cast their nets, had just come to an anchor, and, borne shoreward by the flowing tide, came the smack's boat with the first installment of finny treasures.

One of the rowers, catching sight of Siddy, greeted her with a lusty cheer. She recognized him in a moment. It was Ned! The report of his having enlisted was a false one, invented by a half-tipsy idler. He had sailed in the Wonder, because in treaty with the owner for a share in his ventures, and the opportunity of talking over and clinching the bargain was too good to be missed.

How Siddy laughed and cried in her joy no one ever knew. She kept out of sight till the lovers had met and were reconciled, and her first words to Ned were a reproach for not wiping his boots cleaner.

"If you two'll be said by me," she told the young couple, "you'll get married as soon as you can. And that's the last bit of advice I ever means to give!"

But whether Siddy will keep this resolve remains to be seen.

American Cotton Ahead.

[The Current.]

During the civil war, India, which had not figured to a great extent as a cotton-producing country, and whose entire exports just before the war did not figure up more than 250,000,000 pounds, came to the front to supply the deficiencies of the English cotton mills, whose supplies from our southern states had been cut off by the blockade of southern ports. The exports of India to England soon rose to the value of one hundred and eighty-five million dollars, from an insignificant sum, but as soon as our country was at peace, the great Indian cotton "boom" fell with a crash, and in good years since the exported cotton has not exceeded in value thirty-five million dollars or forty-six million dollars.

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[Atlanta Constitution.]

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"Do you have much company?"

"Very little. My cabin is off the road and out of the way. The limited population around, believing that I had come there for retirement, determined to let me retire. A sheep-hunter now and then comes along. I exchange the civilities of the mountain with him, and he disappears. For days I do not see a human face."

"You don't talk much, then?"

"Of course I carry on a formal conversation with myself, and my talking is mostly in ejaculations, drawn out principally when I hurt myself, or am astonished."

"You do not get lonesome?"

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